

business, commercial, housing, and employment activities, that benefit a community and its residents.

(4) **GRANTEE.**—The term “grantee” means a qualified entity that receives a grant under this Act.

(5) **PROJECT PARTICIPANT.**—The term “project participant” means any individual or private-sector group in a community participating in any of the activities established under a demonstration grant under this Act.

(6) **QUALIFIED ENTITY.**—The term “qualified entity” means a non-profit organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(7) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(8) **VIOLENT CRIME.**—The term “violent crime” has the same meaning as the term “crime of violence” in title 18 of the United States Code.

S. 1216

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Compassion Credit Act”.

SEC. 2. CREDIT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO INDIVIDUALS PROVIDING HOME CARE TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS IN NEED.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to nonrefundable personal credits) is amended by inserting after section 22 the following new section:

“SEC. 23. CREDIT FOR HOME CARE FOR NEEDY INDIVIDUALS.

“(a) **IN GENERAL.**—In the case of an individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for a taxable year an amount equal to \$500 for each eligible individual.

“(b) **ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.**—For purposes of this section—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The term ‘eligible individual’ means an individual—

“(A) who is a member of a class of individuals described in paragraph (2), and

“(B) to whom the taxpayer provides qualified home care services which are required by the individual by reason of being a member of such a class.

“(2) **NEEDY INDIVIDUALS.**—The classes of individuals described in this paragraph are as follows:

“(A) Unmarried pregnant women.

“(B) Hospice care patients, including AIDS patients and cancer patients.

“(C) Homeless individuals.

“(D) Battered women and battered women with children.

“(3) **QUALIFIED HOME CARE SERVICES.**—The term ‘qualified home care services’ means those services which the taxpayer is certified as being qualified to provide to an eligible individual by an organization—

“(A) which is described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from tax under section 501(a), and

“(B) the predominant activity of which is providing care to one or more classes of eligible individuals.”

(b) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The table of sections for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 22 the following new item:

“Sec. 23. Credit for home care for needy individuals.”

(c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995.

S. 1217

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Medical Volunteer Act”.

SEC. 2. TORT CLAIM IMMUNITY.

(a) **GENERAL RULE.**—A health care professional who provides a health care service to a medically underserved person without receiving compensation for such health care service, shall be regarded, for purposes of any medical malpractice claim that may arise in connection with the provision of such service, as an employee of the Federal Government for purposes of the Federal tort claims provisions in title 28, United States Code.

(b) **COMPENSATION.**—For purposes of subsection (a), a health care professional shall be deemed to have provided a health care service without compensation only if, prior to furnishing a health care service, the health care professional—

(1) agrees to furnish the health care service without charge to any person, including any health insurance plan or program under which the recipient is covered; and

(2) provides the recipient of the health care service with adequate notice (as determined by the Secretary) of the limited liability of the health care professional with respect to the service.

SEC. 3. PREEMPTION.

The provisions of this Act shall preempt any State law to the extent that such law is inconsistent with such provisions. The provisions of this Act shall not preempt any State law that provides greater incentives or protections to a health care professional rendering a health care service.

SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act:

(1) **HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL.**—The term “health care professional” means a person who, at the time the person provides a health care service, is licensed or certified by the appropriate authorities for practice in a State to furnish health care services.

(2) **HEALTH CARE SERVICE.**—The term “health care service” means any medical assistance to the extent it is included in the plan submitted under title XIX of the Social Security Act for the State in which the service was provided.

(3) **MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED PERSON.**—The term “medically underserved person” means a person who resides in—

(A) a medically underserved area as defined for purposes of determining a medically underserved population under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c); or

(B) a health professional shortage area as defined in section 332 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 254e);

and who receives care in a health care facility substantially comparable to any of those designated in the Federally Supported Health Centers Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 233 et seq.), as shall be determined in regulations promulgated by the Secretary.

(4) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

S. 1218

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Community Partnership Act”.

SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall jointly establish and carry out a competitive grant program to provide funding to States and communities to—

(1) establish an information network to enhance coordination of matches between—

(A) churches, synagogues and other communities of faith, and other community groups; and

(B)(i) families receiving aid to families with dependent children under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) who voluntarily elect to participate; or

(ii) nonviolent criminal offenders who elect to participate, and are directed to such a program through the judicial system;

(2) hire staff to coordinate matches, recruit churches, enhance coordination between the public welfare system, judicial system, churches, synagogues and other communities of faith, and other community groups; and

(3) disseminate information, including training, to Government agencies and interested community groups about programs receiving funding under this Act.

(b) **FUNDING.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—A grant under this section shall not exceed \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year.

(2) **SOURCES.**—There are authorized to be appropriated not more than \$50,000,000, of which—

(A) not more than \$25,000,000 shall be available from the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund; and

(B) not more than \$25,000,000 shall be available from funds appropriated to the Secretary of Health and Human Services for administrative expenses.

SEC. 3. INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSES.

Of the amount made available under section 2(b), not more than a total of \$1,000,000 shall be available to the Attorney General and Secretary of Health and Human Services for each to establish a national information clearinghouse at the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services, respectively, to provide information and networking to assist States in establishing and carrying out programs under section 2.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 391

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. THOMAS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 391, a bill to authorize and direct the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to undertake activities to halt and reverse the decline in forest health on Federal lands, and for other purposes.

S. 771

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. LEAHY] was added as a cosponsor of S. 771, a bill to provide that certain Federal property shall be made available to States for State use before being made available to other entities, and for other purposes.

S. 856

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 856, a bill to amend the

National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, the Museum Services Act, and the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Act to improve and extend the Acts, and for other purposes.

S. 963

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 963, a bill to amend the medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve rural services, and for other purposes.

S. 984

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 984, a bill to protect the fundamental right of a parent to direct the upbringing of a child, and for other purposes.

S. 1030

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. SIMON] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1030, a bill entitled the "Federal Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation Act of 1995.

S. 1083

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Colorado [Mr. BROWN] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1083, a bill to direct the President to withhold extension of the WTO Agreement to any country that is not complying with its obligations under the New York Convention, and for other purposes.

S. 1117

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from California [Mrs. BOXER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1117, a bill to repeal AFDC and establish the Work First Plan, and for other purposes.

S. 1159

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the names of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. DORGAN] and the Senator from Kansas [Mrs. KASSEBAUM] were added as cosponsors of S. 1159, a bill to establish an American Indian Policy Information Center, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 1159, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 2452

At the request of Mr. PRYOR the names of the Senator from Georgia [Mr. NUNN] and the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. BINGAMAN] were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2452 proposed to S. 1026, an original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

WARNER (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 2461

Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. EXON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. COHEN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SMITH, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. ROBB) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 1026) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; and follows:

On page 570, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

SEC. 3168. SENSE OF SENATE ON NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING SHIPMENTS OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL FROM NAVAL REACTORS.

(a) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Energy, and the Governor of the State of Idaho should continue good faith negotiations for the purpose of reaching an agreement on the issue of shipments of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors.

(b) REPORT.—(1) Not later than September 15, 1995, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on National Security of the House of Representatives a written report on the status or outcome of the negotiations urged under subsection (a).

(2) The report shall include the following matters:

(A) If an agreement is reached, the terms of the agreement, including the dates on which shipments of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors will resume.

(B) If an agreement is not reached—

(i) the Secretary's evaluation of the issues remaining to be resolved before an agreement can be reached;

(ii) the likelihood that an agreement will be reached before October 1, 1995; and

(iii) the steps that must be taken regarding the shipment of spent nuclear fuel from naval reactors to ensure that the navy can meet the national security requirements of the United States.

LEVIN AMENDMENT NO. 2462

Mr. NUNN (for Mr. LEVIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1026, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate point in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. . ENCOURAGEMENT OF USE OF LEASING AUTHORITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—(1) Chapter 137 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2316 the following new section:

"SEC. 2317. EQUIPMENT LEASING.

"The Secretary of Defense is authorized to use leasing in the acquisition of commercial vehicles when such leasing is practicable and efficient."

(2) The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

"2317. Equipment Leasing."

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-

retary of Defense shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees setting forth changes in legislation that would be required to facilitate the use of leases by the Department of Defense in the acquisition of equipment.

(c) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of the Army may conduct a pilot program for leasing of commercial utility cargo vehicles as follows:

(1) Existing commercial utility cargo vehicles may be traded-in for credit against new replacement commercial utility cargo vehicle least costs;

(2) Quantities of commercial utility cargo vehicles to be traded in and their value to be credited shall be subject to negotiation between the parties;

(3) New commercial utility cargo vehicle lease agreements may be executed with or without options to purchase at the end of each lease period;

(4) New commercial utility cargo vehicle lease periods may not exceed five years;

(5) Such leasing pilot program shall consist of replacing no more than forty percent of the validated requirement for commercial utility cargo vehicles, but may include an option or options for the remaining validated requirement which may be executed subject to the requirements of subsection (c)(8);

(6) The Army shall enter into such pilot program only if the Secretary:

(A) awards such program in accordance with the provisions of section 2304 of title 10, United States Code.

(B) has notified the congressional defense committees of his plans to execute the pilot program;

(C) has provided a report detailing the expected savings in operating and support costs from retiring older commercial utility cargo vehicles compared to the expected costs of leasing newer commercial utility cargo vehicles; and

(D) has allowed 30 calendar days to elapse after such notification.

(8) One year after the date of execution of an initial leasing contract, the Secretary of the Army shall submit a report setting forth the status of the pilot program. Such report shall be based upon at least six months of operating experience. The Secretary may exercise an option or options for subsequent commercial utility cargo vehicles only after he has allowed 60 calendar days to elapse after submitting this report.

(9) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—No lease of commercial utility cargo vehicles may be entered into under the pilot program after September 30, 2000.

KYL AMENDMENT NO. 2463

Mr. WARNER (for Mr. KYL) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1026, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. . LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CO-OPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 1996 under the heading "FORMER SOVIET UNION THREAT REDUCTION" for dismantlement and destruction of chemical weapons, not more than \$52,000,000 may be obligated or expended for that purpose until the President certifies to Congress the following:

(1) That the United States and Russia have completed a joint laboratory study evaluating the proposal of Russia to neutralize its chemical weapons and the United States agrees with the proposal.

(2) That Russia is in the process of preparing, with the assistance of the United States (if necessary), a comprehensive plan to manage the dismantlement and destruction of the Russia chemical weapons stockpile.